

(1) the evacuation of hostages; and
(2) the transportation of hostages to safe locations;

Whereas Anita Ashok Datar—

(1) resided in Takoma Park, Maryland;
(2) was born in Pittsfield, Massachusetts;
and

(3) was raised in Flanders, New Jersey;

Whereas Anita Ashok Datar was an international public health and development worker, public health expert, mother, daughter, sister, and friend;

Whereas Anita Ashok Datar served as a volunteer of the Peace Corps in Senegal from 1997 through 1999;

Whereas Anita Ashok Datar was a graduate of—

(1) Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey; and

(2) Columbia University's—

(A) Mailman School of Public Health;
and

(B) School of International and Public Affairs;

Whereas Anita Ashok Datar helped found a not-for-profit organization dedicated to connecting low-income women in underserved communities to quality health services;

Whereas, of all of the accomplishments of Anita Ashok Datar, she was most proud of her son, Rohan; and

Whereas the people of the United States stand united with the family, friends, and colleagues of Anita Ashok Datar—

(1) to support the individuals touched by her life or affected by her death; and

(2) to pray for healing, understanding, and peace; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) condemns the terrorist attack in Bamako, Mali, on November 20, 2015;

(2) honors the memory of Anita Ashok Datar, the citizen of the United States that was killed in the terrorist attack on November 20, 2015, in Bamako, Mali;

(3) recognizes and honors the commitment of Anita Ashok Datar to advance international development and public health, including her work to connect low-income women to quality health services;

(4) extends heartfelt condolences and prayers to—

(A) the family, friends, and colleagues of Anita Ashok Datar, particularly her son, Rohan; and

(B) the individuals touched by the life of Anita Ashok Datar or affected by her death, including the dedicated development professionals and volunteers that continue to selflessly engage in critical humanitarian and development efforts; and

(5) pledges to continue to work to counter violent extremism, including through education and health care, in the United States and abroad.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 28—TO ESTABLISH THE JOINT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON INAUGURAL CEREMONIES FOR THE INAUGURATION OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT AND VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE UNITED STATES ON JANUARY 20, 2017

Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mr. SCHUMER) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. CON. RES. 28

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring),

SECTION 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF JOINT COMMITTEE.

There is established a Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies (in this

resolution referred to as the “joint committee”) consisting of 3 Senators and 3 Members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, respectively. The joint committee is authorized to make the necessary arrangements for the inauguration of the President-elect and Vice President-elect of the United States on January 20, 2017.

SEC. 2. SUPPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE.

The joint committee—

(1) is authorized to utilize appropriate equipment and the services of appropriate personnel of departments and agencies of the Federal Government, under arrangements between the joint committee and the heads of those departments and agencies, in connection with the inaugural proceedings and ceremonies; and

(2) may accept gifts and donations of goods and services to carry out its responsibilities.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 29—TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF THE ROTUNDA AND EMANCIPATION HALL OF THE CAPITOL BY THE JOINT CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE ON INAUGURAL CEREMONIES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROCEEDINGS AND CEREMONIES CONDUCTED FOR THE INAUGURATION OF THE PRESIDENT-ELECT AND THE VICE PRESIDENT-ELECT OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. BLUNT (for himself and Mr. SCHUMER) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. CON. RES. 29

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring),

SECTION 1. USE OF THE ROTUNDA AND EMANCIPATION HALL OF THE CAPITOL.

The rotunda and Emancipation Hall of the United States Capitol are authorized to be used on January 20, 2017, by the Joint Congressional Committee on Inaugural Ceremonies in connection with the proceedings and ceremonies conducted for the inauguration of the President-elect and the Vice President-elect of the United States.

AMENDMENTS SUBMITTED AND PROPOSED

SA 2945. Mr. THUNE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4038, to require that supplemental certifications and background investigations be completed prior to the admission of certain aliens as refugees, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2946. Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2947. Mr. KIRK (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, and Mr. INHOFE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2948. Mr. KIRK (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, and Mr. INHOFE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2949. Mr. KIRK (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, and Mr. INHOFE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2950. Mr. FLAKE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2951. Mr. FLAKE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4038, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 2952. Mr. MCCONNELL (for Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BENNET, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. SANDERS)) proposed an amendment to the bill S. 607, to provide for a five-year extension of the Medicare rural community hospital demonstration program.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 2945. Mr. THUNE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4038, to require that supplemental certifications and background investigations be completed prior to the admission of certain aliens as refugees, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . . REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The governor of each State shall be permitted to advise the Secretary of State, on a weekly basis, of the willingness of such State to accept the resettlement of a refugee in such State.

(b) ADVISE.—The Secretary of State shall provide full information to a governor of any State if the Secretary resettles a refugee in that State.

SA 2946. Mr. THUNE (for himself and Mr. ISAKSON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4038, to require that supplemental certifications and background investigations be completed prior to the admission of certain aliens as refugees, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. . . REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT VETO AUTHORITY.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The governor of each State shall be permitted to advise the Secretary of State, on a weekly basis, of the willingness of such State to accept the resettlement of a refugee in such State.

(b) VETO AUTHORITY.—The governor of any State may veto the resettlement of any refugee in that State.

SA 2947. Mr. KIRK (for himself, Mrs. CAPITO, and Mr. INHOFE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the bill H.R. 4038, to require that supplemental certifications and background investigations be completed prior to the admission of certain aliens as refugees, and for other purposes; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 2, line 14, insert “, and has provided support to any foreign terrorist organization, which may include publishing or otherwise engaging in social media to promote or otherwise support a foreign terrorist organization” before the period at the end.

Beginning on page 3, strike line 15 and all that follows through page 5, line 2, and insert the following:

SEC. 3. INADMISSIBILITY FOR USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA TO PROMOTE TERRORISM.

(a) IN GENERAL.—Section 212(a)(3)(B)(i)(VII) of the Immigration and